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1. A mine warfare school is located on a small island in the Gulf of Pulj where instruction is given to non-commissioned officers, both regular and reserve, and naval recruits. The course covers a period of two months with 300 men constituting a class. Each class is divided into three companies. The first and second companies are made up of mine-laying and mine-sweeping trainees while the third company represents naval auxiliary units such as liaison and transport details. Only non-commissioned officers and soldiers with previous mine-laying specialization are admitted to the school.
2. Theoretical instruction is given the class during the first four to six weeks after which students are divided into groups for practical sea exercises lasting ten to fifteen days. Mine-laying and mine-sweeping techniques are taught and the following types of mines are studied:
  - Russian "K.B." mines\*
  - German "V.B.-1" mines\*
  - English hydraulic mines\*
  - Magnetic mines of unknown origin.Military exercises and a study of armament in general are also a part of the course.
3. The school is commanded by a major, whose name is unknown. Instructors for 1 Company are non-commissioned officers, with the senior platoon chief a certain Djordje Simic.

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